

COUNTRY East Germany

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TOPIC General Military Information

EVALUATION 25X1

PLACE OBTAINED 25X1

DATE OF CONTENT 25 September 1952 and 4 October 1952

DATE OBTAINED [redacted]

DATE PREPARED 6 November 1952

REFERENCES [redacted]

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25X1 1. At 8:30 a.m. on 4 October 1952, source observed at the Satzkorn railroad station north of Potsdam (N 53°4'6") that a tank unit had been unloaded and was moved toward Satzkorn village. The empty train of 10 boxcars and 8 flatcars, some of which still carried tank parts including bogie wheels and tracks, stood at the station. At about 1 p.m., about 30 trucks and 300 troops were unloaded at the Satzkorn railroad station. The trucks and troops departed toward Satzkorn village. [redacted]

25X1 2. On 25 September, source learned that a soldier in Dranse near Wittstock (N 54°3'21") who had completed his third year of service was hoping to be soon discharged home. A slip of paper, referred to by the soldier as a discharge paper, bore a stamp [redacted] in the lower left corner. The paybook [redacted]

25X1 [redacted] on the left side below his photograph. Army postal letters which the soldiers received from his family [redacted]. The soldier also stated that he was a driver and that he had been engaged in clearing work on the troop training grounds during the latter part of his service. He wore red-bordered black epaulets. He further stated that his military post was Magdeburg where he would be discharged in three days. His monthly pay was 20 eastmarks. The conversation discontinued when three Soviet officers and two W's picked up the soldier and left toward the troop training grounds [redacted]

25X1 1. [redacted] Comment. The units unloaded probably were elements of the 10th Gds Tank Div which returned from the Letzling Heath. According to other reports, larger units of the division had already returned from the troop training grounds at the end of September 1952. [redacted]

25X1 2. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] reported for the first time. [redacted] The paybook [redacted] belongs to the 6th Gds Yecz Regt of the 19th Gds Yecz Div. According to the soldier the regiment appears to be permanently stationed in Magdeburg where it is carried confirmed until 25 September 1952.

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